

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION

JOSEPH ROSENBERG,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MISSOURI DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS,  
ET. AL.,

Defendants.

Case No. 4:05CV777SNL

**ORDER**

This matter is before the Court on the plaintiff's motion to appoint counsel (#4), filed May 13, 2005. On July 5, 2005 this Court denied plaintiff's application for *in forma pauperis* status. *See*, Court Order #5. On July 11, 2005 plaintiff paid the regular civil filing fee of \$250.00.

As a civil litigant, plaintiff is not constitutionally entitled to have a court-appointed attorney. Stevens v. Redwing, 146 F.3d. 538, 546 (8th Cir. 1998); Edgington v. Mo. Dept. of Corrections, 52 F.3d. 777, 780 (8th Cir. 1995). Since plaintiff has been denied *in forma pauperis* status and appears able to clearly articulate his claims, the Court is not inclined to appoint him counsel. Plaintiff is advised to seek the advise and assistance of retained counsel in pursuing his litigation so that his rights and interests can be fully protected.

Dated this 10th day of August, 2005.



SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE